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## PRIORITY

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PRIORITY SANTIAGO  
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1. HAVE NOTED MESSAGE FROM USDAO/SANTIAGO DATED 10 FEBRUARY THAT CAMPESINOS HAVE SEIZED FUNDO OF RETIRED GENERAL GUERRATY, FORMER CINC OF FACH. GUERRATY HAD CALLED FACH HQS STATING THAT HE AND FAMILY BEING HELD VIRTUAL PRISONERS IN THEIR HOME.
2. ALLENDE, AS NOTED IN USDAO MESSAGE, TOOK STEPS TO SEND ARMED CARABINEROS TO FUNDO TO REMOVE CAMPESINOS AND PROVIDE GUERRATY WITH PROTECTION UNTIL HARVEST TIME. FACH GENERAL TORO-MAZOTE FLEW BY ARMED HELICOPTER TO GUERRATY FUNDO BRINGING FOOD AND SUPPLIES AND INDICATED WEEKLY RE-SUPPLY MISSIONS WOULD BE FLOWN. SPEAKING OF VERY BAD SITUATION IN SOUTH, TORO-MAZOTE STATED THAT MOST PEOPLE DO NOT REALIZE GRAVITY OF SITUATION AND THAT THIS AND OTHER SEVERE PROBLEMS COULD EASILY TRIGGER A VERY SERIOUS PROBLEM FOR ALLENDE.
3. USDAO MESSAGE POINTS OUT THAT MANY HAVE WONDERED WHAT WOULD HAPPEN WHEN MIR OR CAMPESINOS SEIZED A RETIRED OR ACTIVE DUTY OFFICER'S FUNDO, ADDING THAT ALLENDE SUPPORT OF OFFICERS DURING THIS PRE-ELECTORAL PERIOD IS SIGNIFICANT. ALSO SIGNIFICANT IS FACT THAT ALLENDE NEVER AUTHORIZED USE OF ARMED CARABINEROS

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IN LAND-SEIZURE CASES, AND THAT HIS CHANGE OF POLICY IN THIS CASE PROBABLY INTENDED APPEASE MILITARY, WHICH IS ONE OF HIS MAJOR CONCERNS.

TRUE ?

4.

ITS USE IN PROP MIGHT NOT EVEN BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE IN SENSE  
THAT IT COULD BRING ALLENDE AND MILITARY CLOSER TOGETHER. ON OTHER  
HAND, IF MIR AND/OR CAMPESINO IRE COULD BE AROUSED OVER PREFERENTIAL  
TREATMENT ALLENDE GIVING MILITARY IN LAND-SEIZURE CASE COUPLED  
WITH INHERENT "OPPRESSIVE" MEASURES HE AUTHORIZED, IT COULD PROVIDE  
PROBLEM-CAUSING "TRIGGER" TO WHICH TORO-MAZOTE MADE REFERENCE  
(PARA 2 ABOVE).

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